CBSE Affiliation/Recognition

1497. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the pre-conditions and guidelines to be followed by different schools wanting affiliation and/or recognition of Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE):

(b) what is the difference in the status of two types of schools, one having recognition and the other having affiliation of Central Board of Secondary Education;

(c) what norms have been prescribed by the CBSE for charging different fees; and

(d) the status of D.A.V. Public school, Pratap Vihar, Ghaziabad in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) The Schools seeking affiliation to the Centra! Board of secondary Education (CBSE) are required to fulfil various conditions prescribed in the affilation Bye-laws of the Board. Formal recognition of the school and issue of a 'No Objection Certificate' by the concerned State/UT Government, possession of adequate land, non-proprietary character of the management running the school, employment of well-qualified staff and payment of salaries not less than the scales of pay prescribed by the concerned State/UT Government are the main conditions laid down in the Affiliation Bye-laws.

(b) Formal recognition of the school by the concerned State/UT Government is necessary for the purpose of running a school. Affiliation is intended for sending the students for a public examination conducted by the CBSE at Class X and Class XII level.

(c) Fees charged should be commensurate with the facilities provided by the institution. No capitation fee or "voluntary donations for gaining admission in the school or for any other purpose should be charged/collected in the name of the school. The unaided schools should consult parents through parents re-presentatives before revising the fees.

(d) DAV Public School, Pratap Vihar, Ghaziabad is affiliated to the CBSE for the Secondary (Class X) Examination.

Singing of Saraswati Vandana in Schools

1498. SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN:
SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:
SHRI A. VIJAYA RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that singing of Saraswati Vandana in schools has been made compulsory in Uttar Pradesh for Hindu as well as non-Hindu students; and

(b) whether Union Government also propose to make the singing of Saraswati Vandana compulsory for children of all religions throughout the country?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) The Uttar Pradesh State Government has informed us that its department of Education had issued certain instructions for the introduction of 'Kalpa Yojana' which, inter alia, included recitation of "Vande Mataram and Vandana in front of the portrait of Goddess Saraswati". The State Government has subsequently withdrawn the orders issued in this regard.

(b) No, Sir.

Ban On Quota Admissions in Central Schools

1499. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REBDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state: